

Agenda Item: IV.

DATE: July 14, 2005

SUBJECT: *Geier* Status Report

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Information

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Staff will brief the Commission on activities concerning the *Geier* Consent Decree. The decree, executed in January 2001, provides for a number of initiatives to be undertaken over a five-year period. There is continuing progress in identifying and ultimately developing new programs at Tennessee State University, specifically the filing of a letter of intent by TSU to develop a Ph.D. and Masters program in Public Health. Commission staff will address these and other recent developments in the implementation of the decree.